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About the Institute

The Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation, a research division of Carnegie Mellon University, specializes in the history of botany and all aspects of plant science and serves the international scientific community through research and documentation. To this end, the Institute acquires and maintains authoritative collections of books, plant images, manuscripts, portraits and data files, and provides publications and other modes of information service. The Institute meets the reference needs of botanists, biologists, historians, conservationists, librarians, bibliographers and the public at large, especially those concerned with any aspect of the North American flora.

Hunt Institute was dedicated in 1961 as the Rachel McMasters Miller Hunt Botanical Library, an international center for bibliographical research and service in the interests of botany and horticulture, as well as a center for the study of all aspects of the history of the plant sciences. By 1971 the Library's activities had so diversified that the name was changed to Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation. Growth in collections and research projects led to the establishment of four programmatic departments: Archives, Art, Bibliography and the Library.

Note - All of the plants sent by me have been collected between Jacksonville and Trout creek and within two miles of the St. Johns river, in a region so nearly level that I have thought best not to designate any localities as "high" or "low". Most of the surface is covered with open pine woods, commonly called "flatwoods", which vary in degrees of moisture, there being frequent depressions - wet-weather ponds, commonly called "cypress ponds" - It is the land bordering these, generally, which I designate as "moist" or "damp" pine woods - By "oak land" I mean, usually, partially cleared "hammock" land, the natural growth on which consists of oaks, hickory, magnolia, holly, etc. The river here is more or less breakish - The creeks and runs are bordered by almost impenetrable thickets and marshes. There are also some deep swamps - The pine woods are diversified by "Black jack lands", on which *Quercus cinerea* & *L. patula* abound, but there are few plants peculiar to these. Soil all sand except in swamps.

A. W. Brinton

Just wrote for specimens - The stations known
to me are distant from my present home, and
my condition is such that walking hurts me -
So I doubt if I can serve you at present -

The proof reading of the little there is in the
P. W. is scandalous, there is next to no "editing" -

Yours truly

A. H. Curtis